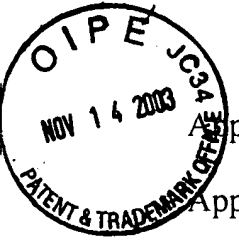


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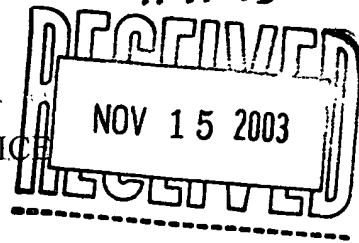
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following information to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,903,608 to CHUN, which issued on May 11, 1999;

U.S. Patent No. 5,910,970, to LU, which issued on June 8, 1999;

U.S. Patent No. 5,805,669 to BINGEL et al., which issued on September 8, 1998;

U.S. Patent No. 5,400,322 to HUNT et al., which issued on March 21, 1995; and

Applicant notes that the above-mentioned documents were cited in a Notice of the Reason for the Rejection (Office Action), which issued on September 30, 1999, for Japanese Patent Application No. HEI 11-3235.

A Canadian Office Action mailed on June 18, 2003 in related Canadian Patent Application 2,417,991, in which U.S. Patent 5,280,586 to KUNZ et al., which issued on January 18, 1994, is cited.

A Canadian Office Action mailed on October 9, 2003 in related Canadian Patent Application 2,322,581 is enclosed, in which the following documents are cited:

Canadian Patent 2,027,230 to YANG et al., published on April 12, 1991;

Canadian Patent 2,111,543 to SCOTT, published on June 18, 1994; and

U.S. Patent 5,349,635 to SCOTT, which issued on September 20, 1994.

Applicant also notes U.S. Patent 5,479,447 to CHOW et al., which issued on December 26, 1995.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the patent documents. The above-cited documents are listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate space on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of this document.

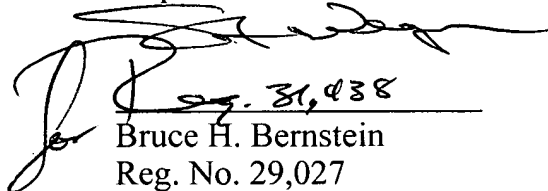
Applicant further notes that the Examiner did not initial the PTO-1449 Form that accompanied the Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 17, 2003 to confirm his consideration of Canadian documents 2,027,230 and 2,111,543, and that the Examiner also failed to initial his consideration of U.S. Patent 5,410,343 that was cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 30, 1999 and listed on associate PTO-1449 Form. Accordingly, Applicant lists these documents on the attached PTO-1449 Form, and request that the Examiner indicates his consideration of the previously submitted materials.

Further, Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the instant application after filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and thus, no fee

is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement. However, if an Office Action has issued after filing the RCE, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any necessary additional fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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